

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: ZUCHERMAN, et al.	§	Docket No.: P31202.07
	§	
Appl. No. 10/685,134	§	Group Art Unit: 3733
	§	
Filed: October 14, 2003	§	Examiner: Stewart. Mary Hoffman
	§	
Title: TOOLS FOR IMPLANTING AN ARTIFICIAL VERTEBRAL DISK AND METHOD	§	
	§	
	§	

NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with C.F.R. §1.27(g)(2), Assignee hereby notifies the patent office that the above-noted patent application is no longer entitled to SMALL ENTITY STATUS. Therefore, Assignee, by the undersigned attorney, hereby requests the above-identified patent application be withdrawn from SMALL ENTITY STATUS. Please charge any fees which may be necessary to Deposit Account No. 132546, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,



William R. Richter
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No. 43,879

Date: 1/15/09
Medtronic
2600 Sofamor Danek Drive
Memphis, TN 38132
Telephone: 901-396-3133
Facsimile: 901-399-3040